

Selectmen/Assessor's Meeting Minutes  
October 21, 2014

**Board Present:** Greg Grotton, Lyle Cramer, Elmer Savage, James Justice and Sara Moore.

**Also Present:** Jay Feyler, Joel Moore, John Gibbons, Laurie Carlson, Debby MacDonald and Ron Bennett.

1. **Call Selectmen's Meeting to order:** by Chair at 6:30PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** given by all who wished.
3. **Public Comment:** there was none.
4. **Approve Minutes of October 7, 2014:** Motion by James Justice to approve minutes as written. Seconded by Sara Moore. Unanimous.
5. **TCC Presentation:** Laurie Carlson presented an update on the Fire Alarm and Sprinkler System. They have applied for a loan through Camden National Bank and were denied due to the fact that our income did not meet the guidelines. We have been in contact with that person again to see if the new rentals and programs going on at the Center will make up the difference that he needed. He will meet with us in a couple of weeks to go over the new numbers. In November we have a meeting to meet with Rural Development in speaking with them they feel we are a good candidate to get a Rural Development Loan. We are also working with John Gibbons on some Grants. We are asking the Board to grant an additional six month extension to get the money that we need in a Loan so we can fix the Fire Alarm and Sprinkler system and Ansell System for the kitchen due to the fact we are out of compliance with that as well. In speaking with Fire Marshall Mark Stevens he is fine with all of the basic events that we do. We are keeping him updated with what we are doing, who we are talking to and what's going on. Currently they have about \$10,000 in fund raising. Laurie added it's difficult because a lot of the fund raising especially the dances we cannot do because we don't have the correct equipment in the building. Once we're able install that system Laurie has confidence that our revenue will go up substantially. We have

volunteers we have bands willing to donate their time at least two bands each month which is huge revenue for us. We have changed our Thrift Store around redone it and it has increased in sales by a third of what we were doing. Greg asked the TCC to provide the Board with a letter from State Fire Marshall Stevens stating his findings in allowing the TCC to remain open for another five to six months until we are able to secure a Loan. TCC is looking for an \$87,000 loan for the Fire Alarm, Sprinkler System and Ansell System. Jay noted our Insurance is looking for a plan from the TCC. Jay thinks they will be reasonable if they know what your plan is. Motion by James Justice to extend for another six months pending approval of the insurance. Seconded by Elmer Savage. Unanimous.

**6. Appoint Election Warden:** Motion by James Justice to appoint Richard Niles Warden for November 4, 2014 Election. Seconded by Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

**7. Sign Truck Loan Documentation:** Jay explained this is a formality from Machias bank. Motion by Elmer Savage to authorize the Town Manager to sign Truck Loan Documentation. Seconded by Sara Moore. Unanimous.

**8. Close Office Nov. 4 for elections and reschedule Selectmen's Meeting:** Motion by James Justice to close office on Nov. 4th and reschedule Selectmen's Meeting to November 5th. Seconded by Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

**9. Appointment of Cemetery Director Assistant:** Motion to Appoint Joseph Tombro as Assistant Cemetery Director by James Justice. Seconded by Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

**10. Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated October 15 and 22, 2014:** Motion by James Justice to sign Treasurer's Warrants. Seconded by Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

**11. Other Business:** Greg reported the Library this year is trying something new on Halloween called a Trunk or Treat event. He has been asked by the Library the possibility of having a volunteer come up there on Halloween with a Fire truck parked off to the side by the entry way. Motion by James Justice to see if Jay would get a volunteer from the Fire Dept. to help the Library celebrate Trunk or Treat. Seconded by Lyle Cramer. Unanimous.

**12. Town Manger's Report:** Jay provided the Board with the new Knox County Budget. It's up \$11,000. The good news is Dispatch went down just a little. Half the walls are up at the Salt/Sand Shed, with the rain things have come to a halt. There were a couple of issues with the cement that was repaired today. We will be about a week before November 4th scheduled delivery for construction which gives us a week to finish the backfill and get pavement done. We will be close on the budget numbers because of the engineering design.

**13. Selectmen's Report:** Greg reported the Transfer Station meeting will be this Thurs. at 6:00 at the Washington Fire Dept.

**14. Future Agenda Items:** there was none.

**15. Adjourn:** Motion by Lyle Cramer to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Seconded by James Justice. Unanimous.

These minutes were approved on November 5, 2014 with the following amendments.